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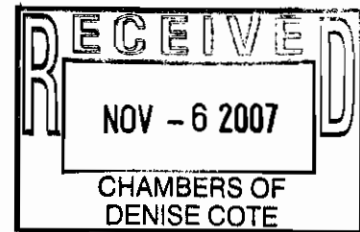
Southern District of New York

86 Chambers Street, 3rd Floor  
New York, New York 10007

November 5, 2007

**BY HAND**

The Honorable Denise Cote  
United States District Judge  
United States Courthouse  
500 Pearl Street, Room 1040  
New York, NY 10007

**MEMO ENDORSED**Re: *Flindell v. Keisler et al.*, No. 07 Civ. 6253 (DLC)

Dear Judge Cote:

This Office represents the defendants, Peter Keisler, Acting Attorney General of the United States; Michael Chertoff, Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security ("DHS"); Emilio Gonzalez, Director of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services ("USCIS"); Mary Ann Ganter, USCIS District Director of New York City, and Robert S. Mueller, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (collectively, the "Government"), in the above-referenced case.<sup>1</sup> Plaintiff seeks to compel the Government to adjudicate her application for naturalization.

The Government's answer or other responsive pleading is currently due on November 6, 2007. The Government requests a 45-day extension of time – until December 21, 2007 – to answer or otherwise respond to the complaint. The extension of time will enable the Government to better determine the status of plaintiff's application for naturalization, and potentially facilitate the resolution of the case.

This is the Government's first request for an extension. Plaintiff's counsel consents to this request.

*Granted.*

*Denise Cote*  
*November 19, 2007*  
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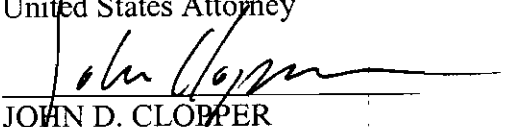
<sup>1</sup> Pursuant Rule 25(d)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Acting Attorney General Peter Keisler has been substituted for former Attorney General Alberto Gonzales.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Respectfully,

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